

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #82B-3 Building Date: ca. 1700, mid 19th c., 1931

Building Name: Billingsley

Location: 6900 Green Landing Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Excellent/Inaccessible

Description

Billingsley is a one-and-one-half story brick gable-roof plantation house of the Tidewater Colonial style. It stands in a spectacular location at the marshes of the Patuxent River at its confluence with the Western Branch. The house consists of two parts: a main block which may be as old as the late seventeenth century, and a twentieth century wing. The main block is one-and-one-half stories high, five bays by two bays. Entrance is in the central bay of the main north facade through a central projecting cross-gable added in 1931. The main block is laid in Flemish bond, with glazed headers. Across the east and west gable ends runs a three-course string course. Windows are 9/9 with wide board surrounds and shallow segmental arch lintels. The gable roof is steeply pitched. There is a wide interior brick chimney with molded weatherings at each gable end. On the south (river) facade, the earth was excavated away, allowing walk-in entry on grade level. There is a one-story sun porch built onto the west gable end.

Significance:

Billingsley is a unique example of a very early brick plantation house, which may date from the end of the seventeenth century. Billingsley Point was conveyed in 1687 to Colonel Thomas Hollyday, who, upon the establishment of Prince George's County in 1696, became the first Chief Justice of the County Court. It is probably he who built the original house. Billingsley was the home of the Weems family from 1740 to 1840, when it was sold to Benjamin Hodges. The interior of the house at Billingsley shows substantial renovations undertaken either by the Hodges or by the subsequent owner, Dr. Richard K. Osbourn; the mature Greek Revival style interior trim dates from this period. Billingsley was purchased in 1917 by Arthur N. Meloy who in 1931 undertook major renovations. The steeply pitched cross gables and flanking dormers on both the north and south elevations were added and the river elevation was excavated, allowing walk-in entry on grade level. Billingsley, although substantially altered, is a unique example of a very early brick plantation house; its general shape and brickwork together with documentary evidence suggest that its original form was the home of Colonel Thomas Hollyday, thus placing its period of construction in the last decade of the seventeenth century. It may be the oldest structure in Prince George's County, and is of great historical and architectural significance.

Acreage: 430.3 acres

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Billingsley Point

and/or common Billingsley (preferred)

2. Location

street & number 6900 Green Landing Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Upper Marlboro ☐ vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Samuel and Frances Meloy

street & number 6900 Green Landing Road telephone no.:

city, town Upper Marlboro state and zip code Maryland 20772

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber #926

street & number Main Street folio 71

city, town Upper Marlboro state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic American Buildings Survey/Prince George's County Historic Sites & Districts Plan

date 1936/1981 ☒ federal ☐ state ☒ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission c/o MNCPPC

city, town Upper Marlboro state Maryland

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Billingsley is a one-and-one-half story brick gable-roof plantation house of the Tidewater Colonial style. It stands in a spectacular location at the marshes of the Patuxent River at its confluence with the Western Branch.

The house consists of two parts: a main block which may be as old as the late seventeenth century, and a twentieth century wing. The main block is one-and-one-half stories high, five bays by two bays, approximately 52 by 32 feet. Entrance is in the central bay of the main north facade through a central projecting cross-gable vestibule which was added in 1931. This vestibule was originally built as a flat-roof porch, and later enclosed and raised to the steeply pitched cross-gable. Entrance is through double doors (painted red) with an arched brick surround and flanked by full length red louvered shutters. The door is approached by a small concrete stoop bordered by iron rails. Above the door at second level are two 6/6 double hung sash windows side by side, with a single board surround and shallow segmentally arched lintel. The roof of the projecting vestibule is very steeply pitched and rises to the full height of the main block; it has a molded wood cornice slightly flared at the lower eaves. The walls of the vestibule are laid in a random pattern, in an attempt to match the Flemish bond of the main block; there are some glazed headers. A similar steeply-pitched cross-gable is centered in the south facade, added also in 1931, but it is flush with the south facade.

The main block is laid up in Flemish bond, with many glazed headers. Across the east and west gable ends runs a three-course string course just below the second story windows. Windows are 9/9 wood frame double hung sash, and have wide board surrounds painted beige, and a shallow segmental arch in the brick. There are no shutters. The molded wood cornice is wide, with bed molding, painted beige. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with gray asbestos shingle. Each of the north and south planes is pierced by two small gable dormers; each dormer encloses a 6/6 double hung sash window. There is a wide interior brick chimney at each gable end; each is tall with corbelled cap, and with molded weatherings. The high brick foundation has a high unmolded watertable; it encloses a full cellar.

On the south (river) facade, the earth was excavated away in the 1930's, revealing the full depth of the cellar foundation and allowing walk-in entry on grade level. Lower level windows in this south facade were originally single sash; after the excavation, they were lengthened to 8/8 double hung sash. Entry into the cellar is now at grade level through a door in the central bay. The door is sheltered by a modern square flat-roof porch with brick piers; a geometric balustrade around its flat roof creates a small balcony, accessible through a door in the central bay, the original south entrance to the first story.

In 1932 a small one-story gable-roof sun porch was built on the west gable end. It is slightly inset from the main block on both north and south facades, two bays by two bays, and rests on a garage space accessible from lower level on the south facade. Windows in the sun porch are three-part round-arched, and have molded surrounds painted beige. A small porch, in the northwest corner of the sun porch and the main block, shelters a side doorway into the northwest space (kitchen) of the main block.

Interior plan consists of central stairhall and (originally) two unequal parlors on each side. The open string staircase rises along the east wall of the stairhall; it has heavy turned newel with mitred cap, turned balusters and a broad railing. This staircase replaces an earlier one which had a larger newel and a broader railing. The wall between the two east parlors has been removed, opening the space into one large parlor. The two original diagonally-situated fireplaces were removed, and a new fireplace was built centered in the east wall; it has a new shouldered wooden mantel. The west space includes a larger parlor on the south, and a smaller space (now used as a kitchen) on the north.

A Greek Revival style wooden mantel adorns the fireplace in the west wall of the parlor; molded pilasters flank the firebox, the frieze has a "cushion" molding and the molded shelf has a bold Greek profile. Door and window surrounds in this room have two-step molding; this is the only room which retains its deeply molded wooden cornice.

Billingsley stands in a prominent position overlooking the marshes of the Western Branch and the Patuxent River. A short distance to the northwest is a wooded knoll which is reported to be the burial ground; no grave-stones are visible. Closer to the house, to the northwest, is a twentieth century gable roof barn with lower shed-roof side aisles and small shed-roof wings. It is sided with vertical board. The barn has four barn doors in its east gable-end, louvered windows, and two lanterns at the ridge.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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Local History

Specific dates end 17th, mid 19th c, 1931
Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Billingsley is a unique example of a very early brick plantation house, which may date from as early as the end of the seventeenth century. Although it was substantially altered, both in the nineteenth and the twentieth century, it represents one of the earliest surviving buildings in Prince George's County, and is of great historic and architectural importance.

Billingsley Point, a 700-acre tract at the confluence of the Patuxent River and the Western Branch, was patented in 1662 to John Billingsley, "for transportation of 14 servants in the year 1650 under... conditions of plantation.¹ Five hundred acres were conveyed by Billingsley heirs in 1687 to Colonel Thomas Hollyday, who, upon the establishment of Prince George's County in 1696, became the first Chief Justice of the County Court. Hollyday served as Chief Justice of the Court, which met at Charles Town, now Mount Calvert, until his death in 1703. He lived at Billingsley Point, his plantation immediately north of Charles Town, possibly in the original form of the present structure.² In 1703, Thomas Hollyday devised "the plantation I now live upon, commonly called Billingsley Point" to his son James, and was buried near the house.³ James Hollyday, after confirming his legal title to the land by Act of Assembly in 1724,⁴ acquired additional adjoining land, and had the whole patented for 1069 acres.⁵ In 1740, he sold the entire Billingsley tract to James Weems of Calvert County, reserving to himself and his heirs the graveyard where his father was buried.⁶

The Weems family lived at Billingsley for a full century. James Weems deeded 530 acres of Billingsley, including the house, to his son William Lock Weems in 1755;⁷ William operated a store at Green Landing, a small commercial river settlement (now known as Hill's Landing) one mile north of the house site, and part of the Billingsley tract.⁸ When James Weems died in 1781, he devised all the rest of his land to his son, William Lock Weems.⁹ At approximately this time, the younger Weems called a Commission to mark and perpetuate the bounds of Billingsley.¹⁰

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William Lock Weems died in 1783, leaving all of his Prince George's County real estate to his son Nathaniel C. Weems.¹¹ It was Nathaniel C. Weems who resided at Billingsley at the time of the first Federal Direct Tax in 1798. The two-acre nucleus of the property was described at that time as follows: "a single story brick dwelling house 52 by 32, with kitchen under the same; a framed meat house 12 feet square, milk house 10 by 8 feet, corn house 40 by 10 feet, stable 24 by 18 feet, and one negro house 16 by 12 feet, all out of repair." His over 1000-acre plantation included also four more negro houses and a log overseer's house, and five tobacco barns; the labor force consisted of 31 slaves.¹²

Nathaniel Chapman Weems died circa 1810 leaving a widow, Violetta, and six children. His eldest daughter, Mary, married John B. Mullikin (of Mount Oak) in 1812, and shortly afterwards they petitioned the Chancery Court for their share of the Weems property at Billingsley. The dower share, 296 acres including the house, was laid off to the widow; more than 20 years later, through the subsequent conveyance of the rights of all of her heirs, this 296-acre plantation became the property of Mary and John B. Mullikin.¹³ The Mullikins, who lived at Mount Oak, sold the Billingsley property in 1841 to Benjamin B. Hodges.¹⁴

The interior of the house at Billingsley shows substantial renovations of the mid-nineteenth century, undertaken by the Hodges or by the subsequent owner, Dr. Richard K. Osbourn. It is unlikely that the Hodges ever lived at Billingsley, but more likely that they prepared it for their daughter, Mary, who married Dr. Osbourn in 1846. Mary Hodges Osbourn died in 1847 and Dr. Osbourn remained at Billingsley, remarrying in 1851. Benjamin Hodges legally conveyed the property to Dr. Osbourn in 1855,¹⁶ and the mature Greek Revival style interior trim in the west parlor certainly dates from this period. The two-step door and window surrounds, and the pilastered mantel with "cushion" frieze are nearly identical to the same features at Woodstock, built circa 1850 south of Upper Marlboro.¹⁷ In 1866, Dr. Osbourn sold to steamship captain Mason L. Weems of Baltimore a small riveredge section of Billingsley to serve as a landing, bounding on the "road leading from Upper Marlboro to Richard K. Osbourn's mansion house."¹⁸

In 1870, after Dr. Osbourn's death, his children petitioned the Equity Court for sale of his property to pay his debts. C.C. Magruder and Samuel B. Hance were appointed trustees, and in 1874 they sold the 300-acre parcel to John H. and Charles Traband, merchant and carriage maker from Upper Marlboro.¹⁹ The house at Billingsley was maintained as a tenant farm and dwelling until 1917, when it was sold by the heirs of Charles Traband.²⁰

Billingsley was purchased in 1917 by Arthur N. Meloy, and from that time until approximately 1941 it was occupied by the Cheney family. During those years the renovations were begun. The dividing wall between the two east parlors was removed, creating one large room; the diagonal corner fireplaces in these parlors were replaced by a large and handsome

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reproduction mantel centered in the east exterior wall. The staircase trim was also redone, replacing a Victorian staircase which was no doubt contemporary with the trim in the south parlor. Mr. Meloy also undertook substantial changes to the exterior of Billingsley. The steeply pitched cross gables and flanking dormers on both the north and south elevations were added circa 1931. At the same time the earth on the south (river) elevation was excavated, revealing the full depth of the cellar level and allowing walk-in entry on grade level; the lower level windows were rebuilt, and a porch was built to shelter the new entrance and to provide at the main level a small balcony. In 1932 the sunporch was constructed at the west gable end. Billingsley remains the home of Arthur N. Meloy's son.²¹

Billingsley, although substantially altered, is a unique example in Prince George's County of a very early brick plantation house. Because of extensive modern alterations, it is impossible to examine the original interior fabric of the house without destructive investigation; the general shape and brickwork together with the documentary evidence, however, strongly indicate that the present structure in its original form was the home of Colonel Thomas Hollyday, and therefore place its period of construction in the last decade of the seventeenth century. As such, it may be the oldest structure in Prince George's County, and is of great historical and architectural significance.

Notes:

- 1 Patent, Liber #5, folio 160.
- 2 Prince George's County Court Records, 1695-1703 (Md. Hall of Records); Maryland Archives XX, 79, 108, 212.
- 3 Prince George's County Will #1:19; Prince George's County Deed Y:223.
- 4 Maryland Archives XXXVIII: 339; cf. also Prince George's County Deed I:628.
- 5 Patent IL #A:750; Patented certificate #332.
- 6 Prince George's County Deed Y:223.
- 7 Prince George's County Deed NN:408.
- 8 Maryland Gazette, 8 April 1752.
- 9 Prince George's County Will Box W, file 48a.
- 10 Prince George's County Deed FF #1:47.
- 11 Prince George's County Will T #1:170.

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- 12 Federal Direct Tax of Prince George's County, 1798, Patuxent Hundred.
- 13 Orphans Court Records TT #4:106; Chancery Records AB #2:248, Prince George's County Deeds HB #7:321; HB #9:232, 233, 166.
- 14 Prince George's County Deed JBB #1:501.
- 15 Prince George's County Marriage licenses; Effie Gwynn Bowie, Across the Years in Prince George's County, page 468.
- 16 Prince George's County Deed EWB #1:241.
- 17 Cf. National Register Nomination, Woodstock, P.G. #82A-13.
- 18 Prince George's County Deed FS #4:159.
- 19 Prince George's County Equity #749, #751; Prince George's County Deed HB #9:5.
- 20 Prince George's County Deed #128:115; Prince George's County Will WAM #1:232.
- 21 Prince George's County Deed #830:203; #926:68, 71.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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cf. notes, Item #8
cf. Chain of title

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 430.3 acres

Tax map #111, parcel 9

Quadrangle name BristolQuadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan G. Pearl, Research/Architectural Historianorganization Historic Preservation Commission c/o MNCPPC date December 1987street & number Room 4010, C.A.B. telephone 301-952-3521city or town Upper Marlboro state Maryland

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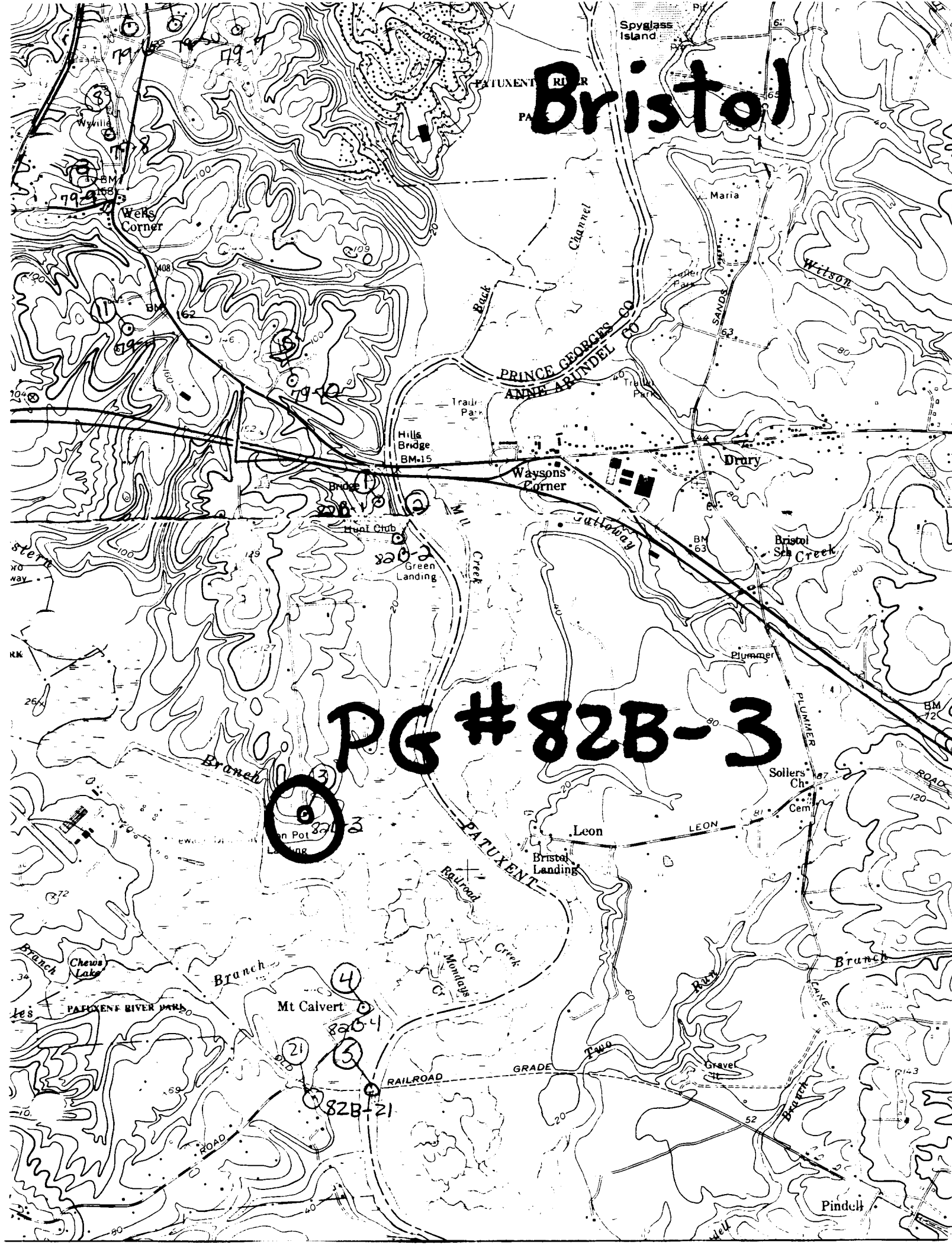
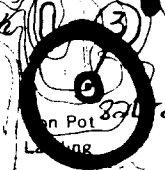
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Prince George's County
Susan G. Pearl
December 1986
North elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



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Billingsley
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Susan G. Pearl
December 1986
Southeast 3/4 elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



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Billingsley
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Southwest 3/4 elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



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East elevation
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Billingsley
Prince George's County
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West parlor mantel
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



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Billingsley
Prince George's County
Susan G. Pearl
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West parlor trim
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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HISTORIC SITES SUMMARY SHEET

P.G. County Survey # 82B-3 Date c. 1695
Building Name Billingsley
Location 6900 Green Landing Road, Upper Marlboro, Md.
Open to Public yes x no

Billingsley stands in a spectacular location at the marshes of the Patuxent River. It is a one-and-one-half-story brick house, with a flush chimney at each end of the steep gable roof; the walls are laid in Flemish bond with glazed headers. The house faces north, is five bays wide, and has a central doorway in each of the north and south facades. Central peaked dormers were built onto both north and south facades early in this century, thus significantly altering the original appearance of the house.

Billingsley is almost certainly one of the oldest surviving structures in Prince George's County. Five hundred acres of Billingsley Point were conveyed in 1687 to Col. Thomas Hollyday, who became in 1695 Chief Justice of the Prince George's County Court; he built the brick house at Billingsley at approximately this time, lived there until his death in 1703, and was buried near the house. His son, James Hollyday, acquired additional adjoining land and received a new patent for Billingsley. In 1740 he sold the whole tract (over 1000 acres) to Dr. James Weems; the house and adjoining 300 acres remained in the Weems family for 100 years until it was sold by James Weems' great-granddaughter in 1841. Since that time it has been the home of several prominent Upper Marlboro families. Although significantly altered, it has great significance because it represents some of the earliest domestic architecture in Prince George's County.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Billingsley

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 6900 Green Landing Road

CITY, TOWN Upper Marlboro

VICINITY OF Patuxent River 4th

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Maryland

P.G.

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W.H. Meloy

Telephone #: 627-3698

STREET & NUMBER 6900 Green Landing Road

CITY, TOWN Upper Marlboro

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code Maryland 20870

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. P.G. County Courthouse

Liber #: 926

Folio #: 71

STREET & NUMBER Main Street

CITY, TOWN Upper Marlboro

STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE HABS (Library of Congress) and P.G. Historic Sites Inventory

DATE 1974

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☒ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Calvert Mansion, 4811 Riverdale Rd.

CITY, TOWN Riverdale, Maryland 20840

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
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<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Billingsley stands in a spectacular location at the marshes of the Patuxent River. It is a one-and-one-half story brick house, with gable roof and a flush chimney at each gable end; the walls are laid in Flemish bond, with glazed headers. The house faces north, is five bays wide, and has a central doorway in each of the north and south facades. There are segmental relieving arches over the windows, and a string course at loft level across each gable end. The interior plan has a central hallway, with two parlors on each side.

Billingsley has been significantly altered in this century, most noticeably by the addition on both north and south facades of a central peaked gable. Two dormers have been added on both north and south slopes of the roof. On the south (river) facade, the earth has been excavated away, revealing the full depth of the basement foundation and allowing walk-in entry on grade level; the south basement windows have been rebuilt. A one-story two-bay brick addition has been built on to the west end of the house, and a porch, with deck above, frames the lower level south entrance.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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SPECIFIC DATES circa 1695

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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Because of extensive modern alterations, it is impossible to examine the original interior fabric of the house without destructive

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ET IF NECESSARY

(see continuation sheet)

8) Significance (continued)

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1. Patent: #5:160
2. P.G. County Deed: I:628; Acts of Assembly 1724, Archives 38:339.
3. " Will: #1:19
4. Patent: IL#A:755
5. P.G. County Deed: Y:223
6. " " JBB#1:501
7. Federal Direct Tax, Prince George's County, 1798

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

P.G.C.Wills: BoxW,#48a; T#1:170; WAM#1:232

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STATE

COUNTY

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COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Susan G. Pearl Project Co-ordinator

ORGANIZATION

P.G. County Historical & Cultural Trust

DATE

March 1980

STREET & NUMBER

Calvert Mansion, 4811 Riverdale Road

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Riverdale, Md.

20840

STATE

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Billingsley				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Prince George's	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
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		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific _____				
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Meloy				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Prince George's County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic American Buildings Survey				
DATE OF SURVEY: 1936 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Library of Congress				
STREET AND NUMBER: 10 First Street SE				
CITY OR TOWN: Washington, DC			STATE:	

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ Excellent☒ Good☐ Fair

(Check One)

☐ Deteriorated☐ Ruins☐ Unexposed

(Check One)

☒ Altered☐ Unaltered

(Check One)

☐ Moved☒ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The house is a one story, A-roofed, brick building with flush gable end chimneys and laid-up Flemish bond with glazed headers. The five bay facade has had a central porch tower added. The tall basement has segmental relieving arches over the windows. The main floor windows have a similar treatment. They are 9/9 double hung sash, with wide board frames set flush with the brick walls. There is a plain boxed cornice.

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A gabled porch tower has been added on the facade. It has a steeply pitched roof and round arch over the door.

A brick addition has been made on the west end.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian☐ 16th Century☒ 18th Century☐ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☐ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Education☐ Political☐ Urban Planning☐ Prehistoric☐ Engineering☐ Religion/Phi-☐ Other (Specify)☐ Historic☐ Industry

losophy

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

24 SEPT. 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:

8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

12.

State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

Form 10-445
(5/62)

1. STATE Md.		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY	
COUNTY PG		2. NAME Billingley	
TOWN _____ VICINITY #69		DATE OR PERIOD 1720-30	
STREET NO. 2 miles south Md. 4 on private road. Near Iron Pot Landing		STYLE was Queen Anne	
ORIGINAL OWNER Weems		ARCHITECT _____	
ORIGINAL USE Private dwell		BUILDER _____	
PRESENT OWNER Doctor Malloy		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
PRESENT USE Private dwell			
WALL CONSTRUCTION _____			
NO. OF STORIES 2 1/2			
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC			
<p>Completely ruined a Queen Anne style house. Now appears to be a mid 1930's country estate.</p> <p>First floor sunken.</p> <p>End fire place.</p> <p>Small extension on south side.</p> <p>Excell. location</p> <p>Cement walls, tile floor.</p> <p>Brick pediment broken into roof in front.</p> <p>No longer worthy of note.</p> <p><i>J.C. Wilfong, Jr - April 30, 1969 - "prob. c. 1680, not 1720-30."</i></p> <p><i>Bill - 1 photo</i></p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional) 7. PHOTOGRAPH			
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER	
Billingley Bowie, 200, 468, 469 Earle Rinn, Survey, p 57			
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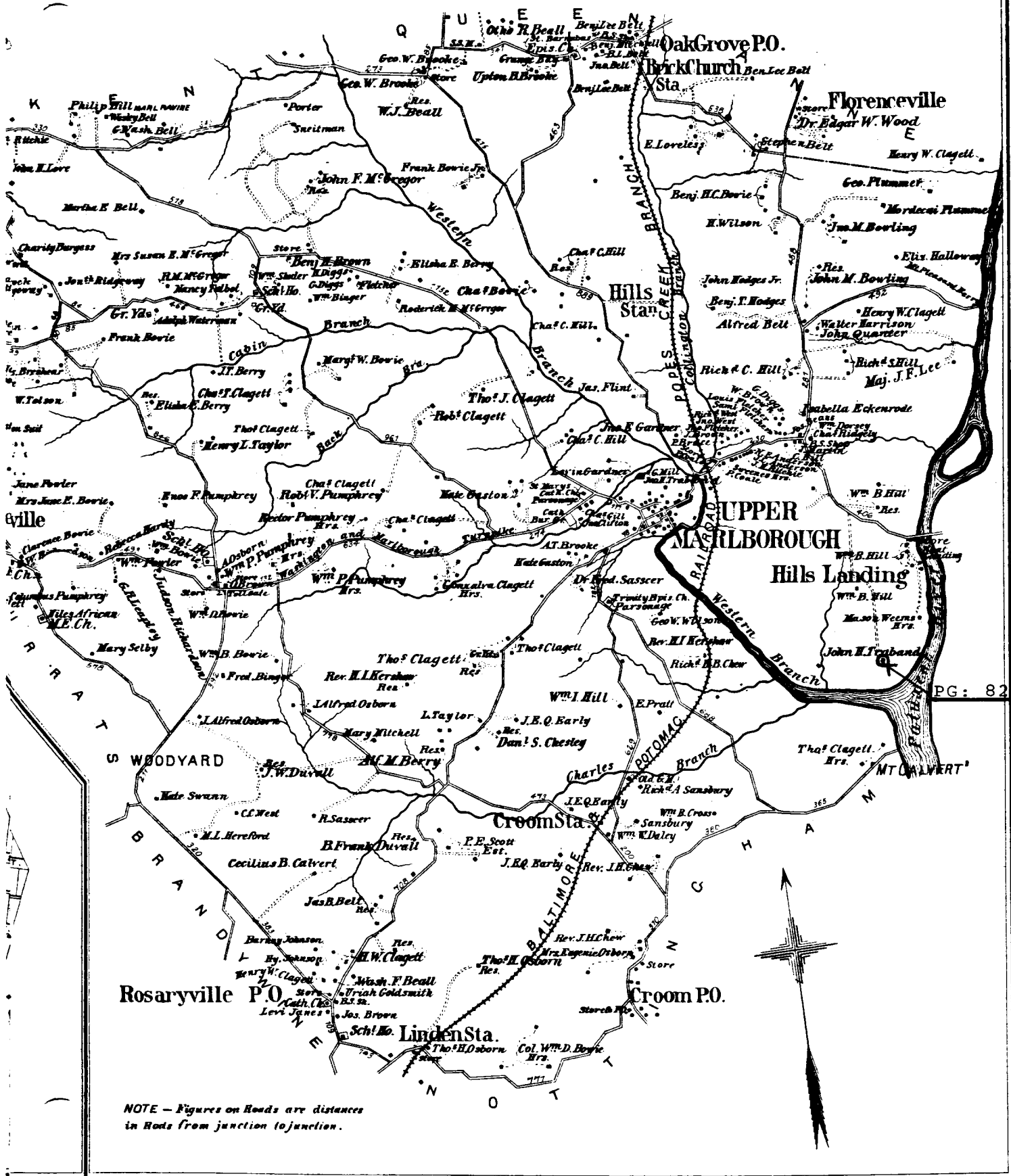
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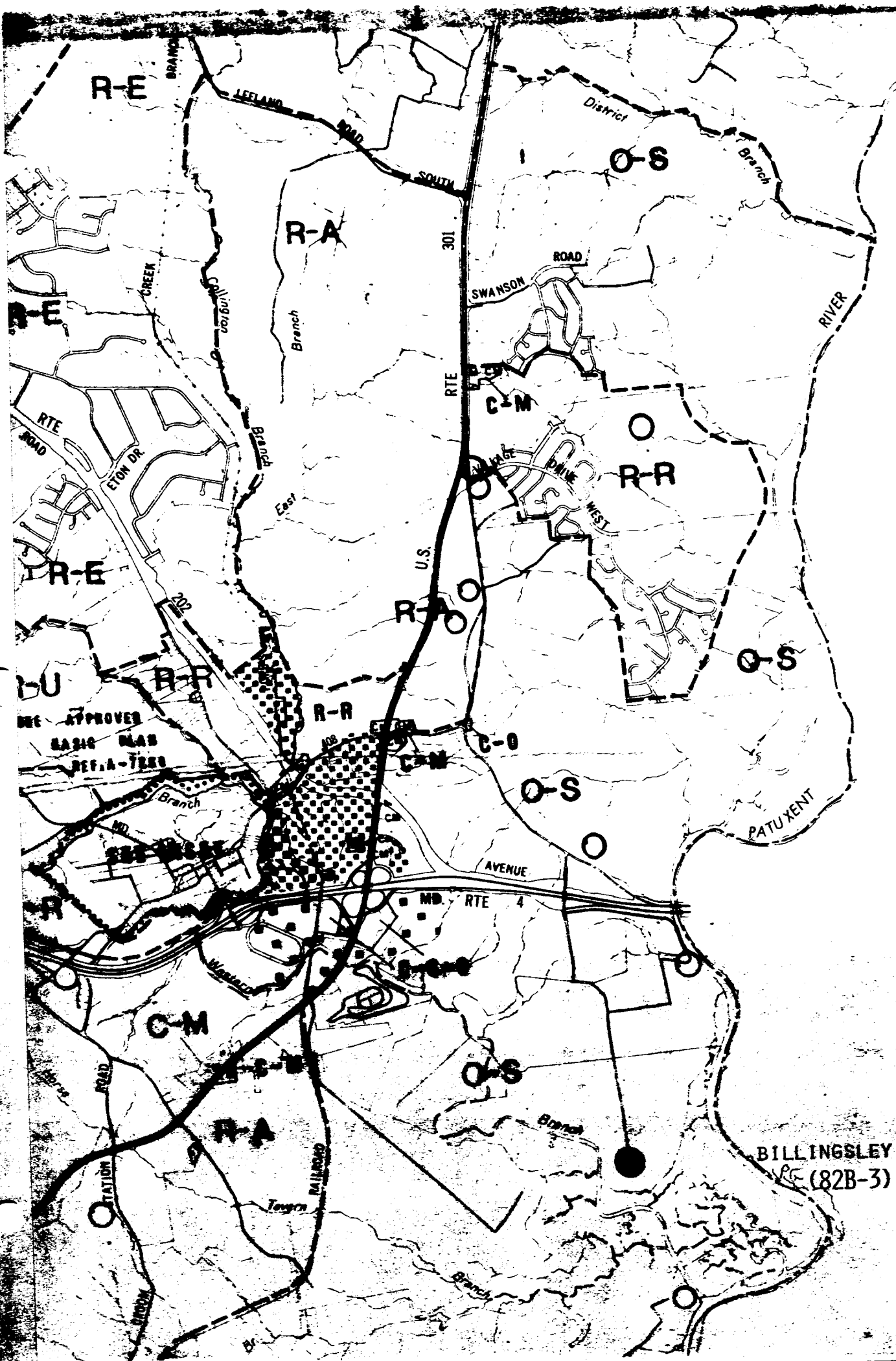
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